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**PATENT APPLICATION**  
Serial No. 09/039,957  
Atty. Docket No. 2509-970451

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Group Art Unit 1623 :  
In re application of :  
**Paul L. KORNBLITH** : **METHOD FOR CULTURING AND  
ASSAYING CELLS**  
Serial No. 09/039,957 :  
Filed March 16, 1998 :  
Examiner - Ralph Gitomer :

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants request a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. The outstanding Action was mailed on August 1, 2000 and the period set for response was three months, bringing the response to be due on November 8, 2000. Therefore, a one-month extension of time will bring the response due on December 1, 2000.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on December 1, 2000.

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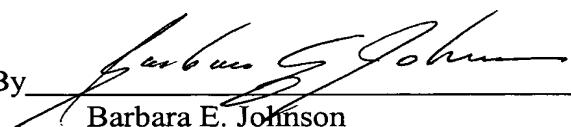
A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee. A response to the outstanding Action is filed concurrently herewith.

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. One (1) original and two (2) copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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